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SUBJECT: LUNT CASE - PRISONER EXCHANGE

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- 1. FYI: IN VIEW OF VOGEL'S RECOMMENDATION (PARA. 1 REFTEL) THAT WE MAKE CLEAR TO CUBANS IMPOSSIBILITY OF ANY LUNT/LEBRON EXCHANGE, SWISS EMBASSY HAS TRANSMITTED FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CUBANS AT OUR REQUEST REGARDING LEBRON PROPOSAL: QUOTE THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS CONSIDERED THIS PROPOSAL CAREFULLY, BUT HAS CONCLUDED THAT IT COULD NOT AGREE TO RELEASE MRS. LEBRON NOW OR AT ANY TIME IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. THIS DECISION WAS TAKEN FOR REASONS INDEPENDENT OF ANY OTHER POSSIBLE PROPOSALS INVOLVING MR. LUNT. END QUOTE.
- 2. DEPT CHOSE TO PASS MESSAGE THROUGH SWISS CHANNEL RATHER THAN THROUGH BELGIANS IN ORDER TO EMPHASIZE ITS CONFIDENTIAL

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OFFICIAL NATURE AND TO AVOID ANY PROBLEMS ARISING FROM

BELGIAN RELATIONSHIP WITH LUNT FAMILY. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, INFORMED BELGIANS OF OUR RESPONSE TO CUBANS RE LEBRON/LUNT

PROPOSAL AND THAT WE ARE CONTINUING EFFORTS TO OBTAIN LUNT'S RELEASE THROUGH ANOTHER CHANNEL. END FYI.

3. DEPT REQUESTS YOU INFORM VOGEL THAT WE HAVE COMMUNICATED TO CUBAN FOREIGN MINISTER ROA OUR FIRM DECISION THAT WE CANNOT RELEASE MRS. LEBRON. WE WOULD APPRECIATE HIS ASSESSMENT OF THE STEPS NOW NEEDED TO EFFECT THE THOMPSON/LUNT EXCHANGE NOW THAT THE OBSTACLE OF THE OUTSTANDING PROPOSAL HAS BEEN REMOVED. KISSINGER

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